



TEACHING WITH TECH

News from the Office of Distance Learning



September 3, 2013

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Did you miss one of our workshops last semester that you really wanted to attend? Visit our [Webinars page](#) to view recordings of our past trainings.

You can now access our website directly from EagleNet. Click on Academics, then choose Office of Distance Learning. We update our website regularly with upcoming workshops and new webinars. Take a look today.

**HAVE A
TECHNOLOGY
WORKSHOP
IDEA?**
Click to [submit](#) it.

UPCOMING WORKSHOP SPOTLIGHT



NEW STREAMING MEDIA SERVER

ShareStream is an Online Video Platform for uploading, editing, storing, managing and delivering video and audio content in a secure environment. ShareStream integrates with Blackboard providing to faculty and students (if granted the required privileges) the following features: upload of video, audio, and images; online video editing and clip trimming; ability to search and browse course media collections for the courses they are enrolled in. Students can submit video assignments for assessment. ShareStream automatically detects internet speed and adjusts playback speed. ShareStream also has the ability to perform digital rights management on media files.

We will be offering webinars and training sessions on how to use ShareStream. Our first session will be Tuesday, September 10 at noon. [Sign up](#) to attend.



BLACKBOARD TRAINING FOR WORK STUDIES AND ASSISTANTS

On Thursday, September 5, we will have an introductory Blackboard training for TAs and any other faculty, administrative assistants, or staff members. This session will focus on creating grade columns and entering grades in the Grade Center, creating assignments, adding items, and organizing the side menu.

This session will be offered from 4:15—5:15 p.m. in SBC109. [Please sign up](#) or pass this link along to your TA to have them sign up for the workshop. Please note that this session will not be available via Blackboard Collaborate.

TECH TUESDAYS

September 10: ShareStream Introduction

ShareStream is our new streaming media server. This session will be helpful to attend if you use, or plan to use, any type of video, audio, or pictures in your classes and would like a simple solution for distributing to your students. [Sign up here](#).

October 15: Blackboard Discussion Boards

The discussion boards in Blackboard are an easy tool to use to increase student engagement in online and on ground courses. During this workshop, you will learn best practices for creating thought-provoking discussion board forums. In addition, you will learn how to set up and use discussion boards in Blackboard. [Sign up here](#).

November 12: Creating and Integrating Rubrics

Rubrics are a great tool to use for quick, objective grading of student work and presentations. During this workshop, you will learn how to create effective rubrics for different types of assignments. Then we will show you how to integrate these rubrics into your Blackboard courses for use in expedited grading and feedback. [Sign up here](#).

View more details [here](#) and make sure to sign up today. Want to attend from the comfort of your own desk? Choose “via Blackboard Collaborate” when you sign up.

WHERE HIGH-TECH MEETS HIGH-TOUCH

[Office of Distance Learning](#) | online@jbu.edu